

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING NEW JERSEY LEGISLATURE BILL #S-2114/A-3317
WHICH SHALL PREEMPT MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES REQUIRING
REGISTRATION FOR MULTI-FAMILY DWELLINGS**

WHEREAS, Bill #S-2114, sponsored by Senators Van Drew and Oroho, and its companion legislation, #A-3317, seeks to pre-empt any municipal ordinance requiring registration for multi-family dwellings, as redundant; and

WHEREAS, #A-3317 was previously approved by an Assembly committee in December of 2012, but has not been scheduled for a vote before the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, a 1967 law, the "Hotel and Multiple Dwelling Law," authorizes the State to require registration (in addition to local registration), of residential rental properties with three (3) or more units and currently, a municipality has the option to require registration for these units; and

WHEREAS, such registration is neither redundant nor at cross-purposes with registration conducted by the State of New Jersey, as municipalities conduct these registrations for many reasons, including inspections, all of which center on the health, safety and welfare of their residents; and

WHEREAS, local registration allows for municipalities to: (1) inspect and keep a timely inventory of multi-family dwellings in the community; (2) minimize overcrowding; and (3) effectively regulate the quality of housing within each community, all of which benefits the health, welfare and safety of residents throughout the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Township of North Brunswick respectfully requests that the New Jersey State Legislature reject this proposed legislation as being adverse to the health, safety and welfare of residents throughout the State of New Jersey by removing a local government's ability to regulate housing conditions and prevent overcrowding within their own communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey, that the Mayor and Township Council hereby respectfully opposes the establishment and promulgation of New Jersey Senate Bill #S-2114 and its companion legislation, #A-3317 for the reasons set forth hereinabove, in the interests of the public health, welfare and safety and to prevent overcrowding in New Jersey's communities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be certified and forwarded to Senator Robert G. Smith, Assemblyman Upendra J. Chivukula, Assemblyman Joseph V. Egan and all municipalities within the County of Middlesex.

TITLE

This Resolution shall be known and may be cited as the Resolution opposing New Jersey Legislature Bill #S-2114/A-3317 which shall preempt municipal ordinances requiring registration for multi-family dwellings.

Robert Lombard, Business Administrator

Ronald H. Gordon, Township Attorney
Approved as to Legal Form

RECORDED VOTE

COUNCIL MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	NOTES
NARRA				
NICOLA				
ANDREWS				
CORBIN				
SOCIO				
DAVIS				
MAYOR WOMACK				

Chivukula

*C. M. Hitz
Senator Smith*

*Assemblyman:
Chivukula
Egan
max. County*